What is claimed is:

- 1. A portable information terminal comprising:
 - (1) an upper section provided with:
 - a display screen displaying information;
- a detector detecting, when a position on the display screen is pointed, the position and outputting a position signal; and
- a converter converting the position signal output from the detector to a digital signal in a predetermined format and outputting the digital signal, and
- (2) a lower section provided with a processing section receiving the digital signal output from the converter, recognizing the position and processing information displayed on the display screen according to the recognized position.
- 2. The portable information terminal according to claim 1, wherein the detector outputs an analog position signal.